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There is a classic story in newspaper lore of a certain compositor who added an extra round of ciphers in recording the personal fortune of JOHN D ROCKEFELLER. Upbraided for his carelessness the craftsman repl'd: "I just get confused; when the am't is over \$40, money doesn't mean anything at all to me."

So blithely do the Washington budgeteers flit these days from millions to billions, we are tempted to impute to them an equally callous indifference. But the tragedy here is that these sums add up, and the bill has to be paid one way or another by the folks at home.

Take a look at the '51 fiscal budget now before Congress. It contains 15 administrative proposals, involving immediate expenditures of more than \$7 billion dollars. A billion is a thousand million. If we cut that figure down to our size it means upwards of \$46 for every man, woman and child in the land; more than \$185 for each family unit.

Bear in mind, we aren't talking about the total budget — that's nearly fifty billion. These are a few little extra items—all okayed by the Pres. Mostly they deal with "services" for the public welfare. Moreover, they are the type of "services" that multiply fantastically with the yrs. Nat'l Health Insurance, for example, starts with a modest \$15 million; may soon involve a total annual cost greater than the starting budgets of the remaining 14 projects combined.

MAY WE *Quote* YOU ON THAT?

V-pres ALBEN BARKLEY: "The war is over but the duration may have just started." 1-Q

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SEN MARGARET CHASE SMITH, of Me, scoring "smear" attacks by Congressmen: "Freedom of speech is not what it used to be in America. It has been so abused by some that it is not exercised by others." 2-Q

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WALTER REUTHER, UAW pres: "After 15 yrs of collective bargaining, it's about time corp'ns made up their minds that unions are here to stay." 3-Q

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DAN A KIMBALL, Undersec'y of Navy: "I don't pretend to know whether we can afford to fight another war. We certainly can't afford to lose a war." 4-Q

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Lt Gov JOE R HANLEY, of N Y: "We have a surplus of graduates and a lack of educated persons. It is not enough to polish a mind; you must create character." 5-Q

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OWEN LATTIMORE, Johns Hopkins prof: "The truth never catches up with the lie." 6-Q

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BERNARD BARUCH, elder statesman: "I find politics largely in the hands of self-seekers—those who give the people what they think the people want—bread and circuses—instead of painstakingly working out the processes of betterment." 7-Q

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Pres HARRY S TRUMAN: "As long as I am Pres, we are not going to put dollars above world peace." 8-Q

DOROTHY THOMPSON, Bell Syndicate columnist: "Character assassination is going so far in this country that the outside world can only think we are either cancerous with communism or having a nervous breakdown." 9-Q

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SEN KENNETH WHERRY, of Neb: "Every country in the world has its hands up to the elbows in the American taxpayer's pocket." 10-Q

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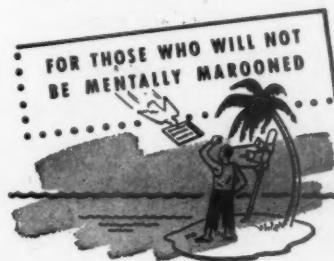
JOHN T KOEHLER, Ass't Sec'y of Navy: "We have done much to raise our standard of living; now we must raise our standard of thinking." 11-Q

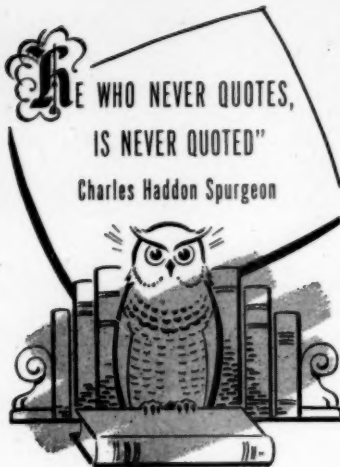
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Gen OMAR N BRADLEY, chmn, joint chiefs of staff: "From the military viewpoint the actual results of the cold war are just about a stand-off." 12-Q

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TRYGVE LIE, UN Sec'y-Gen'l, appealing to all 59 mbs of UN to back his proposed 10-point peace program: "A great and new effort must be attempted to end the so-called 'cold war' and to set the world once more on a road that will offer greater hope of lasting peace." 13-Q





ACCIDENTS—1

A forecast made at the Greater N Y Safety Council says that some time in '51 or '52 the millionth American will die because of an automobile accident. Records have been kept by the Council since '07.—*Christian Century*.

ADVICE—2

We may ask for advice but what we really want is approval.—*Gas Flame*, hm, Citizens Gas & Coke Utility.

BEHAVIOR—3

A saint has been defined as a person who's good even when nobody is looking.—*Mason City (Ia) Globe Gazette*.

CENSORSHIP—4

A censor is a person who can see 3 meanings in a joke with only two.—*VERA VAGUE*, radio program.

CITIZENSHIP—5

Citizenship is a 2-way st. It entitles one to privileges and to protection of the laws of the country; in return it requires allegiance and active participation in building the economic and political in-

tegrity of the community and nation.—*ANNA M MANION*, "Yardstick for Citizenship," *Independent Woman*, 5-'50.

CIVILIZATION—6

Civilization is a state of society in which a person who is over 90 has a hope of missing the next war.—*Dublin Opinion*.

COMMUNISM—7

The Communists have never won a popularity contest. But no one tries harder to win friends and influence people.—*JAS RATLIFF*, *Cincinnati Enquirer*.

CONVERSATION—8

Conversation is the art of hearing as well as being heard.—*Irish Confectioner*.

DEFENSE—Nat'l—9

When America demobilized after V-J day, the Air Force shrank from 243 effective combat groups to 2. The Navy cut from 100 carriers to 11. The output of military planes fell from 96,369 per yr to 1,330.—*Down Payment on Survival in the Air Age*, VFW report.

DEMOCRACY—10

A pretty good test of whether a country has a democratic gov't is whether its people can change their officials when they want to.—*Christian Science Monitor*.

DRINK—Drinking—11

In our nation there are approx: 1¼ retail liquor outlets for each of the 387,337 grocery stores; 2 retail liquor outlets for each of the 241,858 filling stations; more than 2½ retail liquor outlets for each of the 169,792 public eating places.—*Listen*.

ECONOMY—False—12

A farmer once tried to save money by cutting his horse's ration. He figured his horse would never know the difference if he held out an increasing portion of oats each day and replaced it with sawdust. The farmer saved money—but the horse died.—*York Trade Compositor*, hm, York Composition Co.

EDUCATION—13

The U S can safely spend 30 times as much for education during the next 100 yrs as it is spending now. This is the verdict of Brookings Inst, a Washington agency famous for cautious research. Brookings concluded expenses for health can rise 30 times, for recreation 33 times.—*Educator's Washington Dispatch*.

EGOTISM—14

There was a television star who had such a swelled head he became obsolete on small screens.—*DON DORNBROOK*, *Milwaukee Jnl*.

EXPERIENCE—15

"In all my 20 yrs' experience," said the hired hand, "I never heard of ploughing a field the way you want it done."

"Experience?" challenged the farmer. "All that you have had is practice."

Some people confuse practice with experience. Practice consists of doing the same thing over and over. Experience comes from applying accumulated knowledge, observing results and making improvements.—*Signature*, hm, John Hancock Mutual Life Ins Co.

FAILURE—16

Men and women who think or act or say the following things

... Fail!

1. He can't tell me what to do.
2. It can't be done.
3. I didn't have time to find out about it.
4. Who does he think he is?
5. I take things as they come.
6. I'll do it when I'm good and ready.
7. Why knock myself out?
8. You can't satisfy customers anyway.
9. Old ways are pretty good to me.
10. Nuts to you!—*Carbuilder*, hm, Pullman-Standard Mfr'g Co.

GOVT—Employees—17

For every 8 Americans who work in private business or industry or

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are self-employed, there is 1 Gov't employe, paid out of the taxpayers' money . . . Twenty yrs ago there was only 1 Gov't employe for every 40 citizens in other lines of work.—Roster, hm, Security Mutual Life Ins Co.

They say . . .

According to the *Jnl of Home Economics*, nearly 27,000 for'gn students attended U S colleges and univ's in '48-'49—6,000 more than the preceding yr . . . Quick as a wink loses a bit of its snappiness when you figure the length of a blink. On the average, one lasts about .3 sec and happens 2.8 sec's apart. All of which adds up to a blinking black-out in the average person's vision 11% of the time . . . VICTOR HAAS, in the *Omaha World Herald* reports an amusing incident from Greece. Seems that pregnant women there refuse to drink UN-offered powdered milk. Reason: 2 women who drank it produced twins!

HEALTH—18

More than 4 million Americans between 14 and 64 yrs old are too sick to work every day in the yr. Sickneses range from bad colds such as may keep a person home for 1 day, to illnesses lasting for yrs. The figure, however, does not include those in institutions such as psychiatric or homes for the permanent disabled. The estimate is based on the latest survey of illness carried out by the Census Bureau at the request of the Public Health Service.—*Omaha World-Herald*.

HUMAN NATURE—19

Some people are so sensitive that they feel snubbed if an epidemic overlooks them.—FRANK MCKINNEY HUBBARD, *Chicago Tribune*.

INITIATIVE—20

Basil King and Channing Pollock were sitting together in a restaurant when a woman at an adjoining table said to her companion, "It's a disgraceful state of affairs, but what can 1 man do?" The author of *The Conquest of Fear* looked at the author of *The Fool* and asked, "Shall we tell her that everything of importance in the world was begun by 1 man—or 1 woman?"—JACK FINEGAN, *Like the Great Mountains*. (Bethany)

LABOR—Unions—21

At the present time there are more than 15 million union mbrs, about 45% affiliated with the AF-ofL, 40% with the CIO, and 15% "unaffiliated." Many industries are almost wholly organized, the white collar occupations being the weak spots.—CARROLL R DAUGHERTY, "Organized Labor and the Public Interest," *Yale Review*, Spring '50.

LIFE—Creed—22

In certain parts of Africa, they have a custom of asking every chief for his losako or life motto. A missionary one day asked a chief for his losako. The old chief slowly and reverently repeated, "When you pass thru the jungle be very careful to break a twig, that the next man can find his way."—*Confederate Ave Bulletin*.

LOVE—23

Love is something anyone can do without, providing he is dead.—WALTER WINCHELL, *King Features Syndicate*.

LUXURY—24

What is a luxury? In Berlin it may be a door-knob. In Italy it's likely to be an unfrayed shirt, or an electric light. In France it's hot water and a cake of soap. In England it can be any one of the many things the Socialist gov't has decided are "not essential."

You'd have to look pretty hard to find an American who thinks that a radio, or even a refrigerator is a "luxury." And only in the biggest cities is an auto ever classed as such.—Roster, hm, Security Mutual Life Ins Co.

MARRIAGE—25

One marriage in every 6 is "extremely happy" and only 1 couple in every 20 is "quite unhappy," according to conclusions from a 10-yr study of marriage by Dr Clifford R Adams, prof of psychology at Penn State College.—*Bakers Review*.

MONEY—26

Money that is spent without being earned brings much food but no flavor.—O A BATTISTA.

NEWS—27

A man's world is just as big as his newspaper.—Gen DWIGHT EISENHOWER, pres, Columbia Univ, Observer. (London)



Old St Paul's Cathedral, in London, was the center not only of the religious, but of the social and civic life in the olden days. FRANCIS OSBORN records: "It was the fashion in those days for the principal gentry, lords and courtiers, and men of all professions, to meet in St Paul's by 11 o'clock, and walk in the middle aisle until 12, and after dinner from 3 to 6, during which time they discoursed of business, others of news."

The great cathedral suffered greatly from desecration and abuse during the Commonwealth. Parliamentary soldiers turned the nave into a cavalry barracks and one writer, outraged, raved, "You may see the famous Cathedral, once sacred to the worship of God, now a stable for horses. One of their mares foaling in the Church, the Soldiers took it upon them to baptize the Colt . . ."

With the restoration of the monarchy came plans for restoring the Cathedral. Commissioned by Chas II to report upon the condition of the bldg, Sir CHRISTOPHER WREN submitted a radical scheme for renovation. His idea was never carried out because of the plague which shortly spread over London, followed by the Great Fire in 1666—a conflagration without parallel in history. Only a 6th of the city remained standing. And old St Paul's Cathedral was gutted.

WREN was appointed to build a new and greater St Paul's. In 1674, workmen began clearing the ruins and just 275 yrs ago, on June 21, 1675, the 1st stone of the new Cathedral was laid.* The bldg was completed 35 yrs later at a total cost of \$7,556,010.

St Paul's stands today as one of the finest Renaissance cathedrals in Europe — and WREN's masterpiece. He died in 1723 and his was the 1st grave sunk in the Cathedral. It bears the well-known inscription and tribute: LECTOR, SI MONUMENTUM REQUIRIS, CIRCUMSPICE — "If you demand a monument, look around."



Only a Dad* . . .

Only a dad, with a tired face,
Coming home from the daily race;
Bringing little of gold and fame
To show how well he has played
the game,
But glad in his heart that his own
rejoice
To see him come home and to hear
his voice.

Only a dad, of a brood of four,
One of 10 million men or more,
Plodding along in the daily strife,
Bearing the whips and scorns of
life
With never a whimper of pain or
hate,
For the sake of those who at home
await.

Only a dad, neither rich nor proud,
Merely one of the surging crowd,
Toiling, striving, from day to day,
Facing whatever may come his
way;
Silent, whenever the harsh con-
demn,
And bearing it all for the love of
them.

Only a dad, but he gives his all
To smooth the way for his children
small;
Doing, with courage stern and
grim,
The deeds that his father did for
him.
These are the lines that for him I
pen;
Only a dad, but the best of men.—
Origin Unknown.

OPPORTUNITY—28

An opportunist is a woman who
finds the wolf at the door and ap-
pears later in a new fur coat.—
Watchman-Examiner.

OPTIMISM—29

"Hurrah!" cried the optimist, "I
am finally at the end of my dif-
ficulties!"

"Yes," murmured the pessimist,

"but at which end?" — *Deutsche
Wochenschrift*, St Louis German
wkly. (QUOTE translation)

ORIGIN: Restaurant—30

When you feel hungry and go
into a restaurant to satisfy that
inner urge, you are, literally, there
for a repair job. For a restaurant
is a "repairing" place. The word
comes from Old French *restaurer*
(Latin *re*, back again, and Greek
stauros, a stake or picket) to fix
a fence. The meaning has been
transferred from the fence to the
body tissues, but the basic idea
of "repairing" remains.—P J BEN-
RIMO, *Birmingham News-Age-Herald*.

PARENTHOOD—31

Parenthood is the only job which
requires infinite experience to per-
form and none whatsoever to get.
—*Changing Times*.

PERSEVERANCE—32

Bobby Jones, golf's all-time
greatest, told Grantland Rice: "I
never learned anything from the
matches I won; all that I know
about golf, I learned from the
matches I lost."—BRUCE BARTON,
King Features Syndicate.

POETRY—33

Friends often ask Sister Made-
leva, the poetess pres of St Mary's
College, Holy Cross, Ind, what
books they should read to learn
to write poetry. Her answer: "The
Bible, Webster's Dictionary, and
seed catalogues."—JOS F BECKMAN,
Jr, Catholic Digest.

PREACHERS—Preaching—34

"With your ready speech," re-
marked a young minister to Dr
Andrew Thompson, "I wonder why
you spend so much time on your
sermons. Many's the time I've
written a sermon and caught a
salmon before breakfast."

"Well," repl'd Dr Thompson, "all
I can say is, I'd rather have eaten
your salmon than listened to your
sermon."—*Montreal (Canada) Star*.

PREJUDICE—35

A very, very old lady went out
on a day's junket to Lake Success.
She had a really wonderful time.
After a kindly welcome by a young
receptionist, she sat in all day on
important internat'l debates, wear-
ing the headphone which permitted
her to hear the speeches as con-
veyed in English by "simultaneous
interpretation." She had lunch and
tea in the great UN cafeteria, and
was among the very last of the

crowd of visitors to leave the bldg.
As she went out the young re-
ceptionist inq'd: "Well, how do
you like the UN?"

"Oh, it's nice, very nice!" the
old lady crowed. "Only *why* do
they have so many for'gners
around?"—HANS TOCH, *UN World*.

PREPAREDNESS—36

A farmer observed that his son
was working with a dull scythe,
and asked the reason. "There was
so much work to do that I didn't
want to waste the time," the son
ans'd. "My son," said the father,
"no time is ever lost sharpening
dull tools." — WALTER L MOORE,
Christian Herald.

"But . . ."

I am the "butter." I get my
name by injecting the word
"but" into what otherwise would
be high compliments for peo-
ple and things. "Yes, he's a fine
man; one of my best friends. I
like him a lot, *but* . . ." "Sure,
he's a fine preacher, and the
church likes him, *but* . . ." "Yes
indeed! America is certainly all
right, *but* . . ."

I'm a crack shot. I'm not go-
ing to stand by and let any-
body or anything get away
with unlimited approval! There
are no closed seasons on com-
pliments. I shoot them down
anytime with my disguised
slander-gun. I never miss a
shot!—*Western Recorder*. 37

PRODUCTION—38

One of the reasons why Ameri-
can workmen can make more
things in fewer hrs is the fact
that American factories have an
installed horsepower of 18 million
and there are 14 million industrial
workers in the country. One hr is
mathematically equivalent to about
10 men; that gives the average
man at the machine the aid of
13 other "men."—*Production Engi-
neering & Mgt*.

PROPAGANDA—39

We spend less than \$40 million
on our for'gn information pro-
gram (including radio, motion pic-
tures, press, publications, exhibits,
and libraries) all over the world.
This compares with \$14.5 billion
of military and \$5 billion of for'gn
economic aid. The U S spends far
less than the British on propa-
ganda and a small fraction of
what Russia is spending for its

most effective weapon.—**PHILIP D REED**, chmn of Bd, Gen'l Electric Co, pres of Internat'l Chamber of Commerce, addressing 12th Midwest Annual Power Conf, Chicago.

PUNCTUALITY—40

Punctuality: The art of guessing correctly how late the other person is going to be.—**MYRTLE E BOWERS**, *Louisville Courier-Jnl Magazine*

RECREATION—41

He surely hath failed to apprehend the comprehensiveness of God, nor hath he compassed Him in all His aspects and dimensions, who hath not realized that Almighty God not only created the kitten but also taught it to play with its tail.—**ENID DENNIS**, *Mystics All*. (Herder)

SECURITY—42

Why did the negro slave frequently try to escape to the north? He was running away from absolute security.

He rec'd all his meals for himself and family for nothing. He rec'd free medical att'n for himself and family. He paid no rent. He and his family rec'd free clothing. His house was furnished. If anything happened to him, his family rec'd the same benefits as when he was alive. If travel was necessary, transportation was furnished. He didn't have to pay any taxes. He didn't even need to have any money. Slaves preferred freedom and insecurity to slavery and security . . .

Our ancestors won a living from the wilderness. But they had freedom and what they earned was their own. They supported themselves, but not their masters. A slave has to support himself and his master.—*Safety Commentator*.

SUCCESS—43

Success depends partly on whether people like you wherever you go or whenever you go.—*Banking*.

TACT—44

Tact is the knack of making a point without making an enemy.—*Man's Shop*, hm, House of Ensign. (Cape Town, S Africa)

TELEVISION—45

In homes with television, reading has declined 18%, evening radio listening 68%, movie attendance 20%, other outside entertainment 24%.—**THOS E COFFIN**, *NEA Jnl*.

THOUGHT—46

Meditation is the nurse of thought, and thought the food for meditation.—**C SIMMONS**, *Forbes*.

TIME—47

While on a motor trip with a friend thru Ga, I met a local character who spent most of his time on the porch of a "fork-in-the-rd" settlement in the turpentine region.

His slowness of speech and deliberate actions caused me to ask him the why and wherefore of his outstanding characteristics.

"Wal, son," he drawled, "hit don't pay nobody to be in a hurry. You allus pass up more than you catch up with."—**MILLARD MILLER**, *Country Gentleman*.

TOLERANCE—48

When some people yell for tolerance, what they really want is special privilege. — *Garner* (Ia) *Leader*.

UNDERSTANDING—49

E V Lucas tells of a school in England where sympathy is taught. In the course of a term every child has one blind day, one lame day, one deaf day, one day when he cannot speak. The night before the blind day his eyes are bandaged. He awakes blind. He needs help and other children lead him about. Thru this method he gets a grasp on what it is really like to be blind and those who help, having been "blind" themselves, are able to guide and direct the blind with understanding.—*Ladies' Home Jnl*.

VALUES—50

Some things cannot be measured—we do not think of a ton of truth, a bushel of beauty or an aspiration a mi long.—**JOS FORT NEWTON**, *River of Yrs*. (Lippincott)

VISION—51

A visitor to Louisiana was standing by the side of a bayou watching a shrimp lugger laden with both passengers and produce glide by. A native was standing by the side of the visitor watching with equal interest.

The native finally turned to the visitor and remarked: "That lugger will go on down the bayou to Plaquemine, and—if they've a mind to—the passengers can get on a river steamer that'll take them straight to New Orleans. At New Orleans they can get a bigger steamer that'll take them across the Gulf; they can go to Mexico and S America and on and on. Why—you can go anywhere on this earth from a bayou!"—**DAN BENNETT**.

WAR—52

The last war brought a lot of displaced persons; the next war will bring a lot of dispersed places.—*Grit*.

WELFARE STATE—53

A welfare state is one in which the bureaucrats fare well, and the taxpayers say the same to most of their dough.—*Phoenix Flame*, hm, Phoenix Metal Cap Co.

WOMEN—54

The legendary middle hinge on the female tongue was succinctly denied its place in world folklore recently. Who was it who got the Republican platform cut from 2,500 words to 99? None but a lady: Sen Margaret Chase Smith, from Maine, —**JAS S TYLER**, *Adv'g Agency*.

WORLD AFFAIRS—55

The Englishman who crosses the Atlantic today is no longer crossing from the Old World to the New; he is crossing from the New to the Old. — **BEVERLY NICHOLS**, *Uncle Samson*. (Evans, London)

Freedom . . .

Freedom is a man at the lathe, or at the desk, doing the job he likes to do, and speaking up for himself. It is a man in the pulpit, or on the corner, speaking his mind. It is a man puttering in his garden in the evening, and swapping talk with his neighbor over the fence. It is the unafraid faces of men and women and children at the beach, or looking out of the car windows speeding along a 4-lane highway.

It is a man saying, "Howdy, stranger," without looking cautiously over his shoulder. It is the people of the country making up their own minds. It is a soprano singing the *Star Spangled Banner* off key and meaning every word of it.

Freedom is the air you breathe and the sweat you sweat. It is you, and 150 million people like you, with your chins up daring anybody to take it away from you.—*Origin unknown*. 56

GOOD STORIES

You Can Use

A devoted lover of birds, the elderly prof was out in the woods taking pictures of his warbling friends when a violent whirlwind, a miniature twister, uprooted a large tree which came crashing down upon the prof's parked car, damaging it considerably.

When he trudged home that evening, much later than expected, his wife called out, "What happened, John?"

He shook his head sadly and repl'd, "A tree was blown down, and a robin's nest was completely destroyed when it crashed against our car!"—CLIFF WALTERS. **a**

The early bird doesn't always get the worm. Franklin discovered electricity but the fellow who invented the meters made the money.—PAUL LARMER, Chicago Tribune.

A surprise banquet was organized for the delegates of various countries, each guest bringing one of the nat'l specialties of his native land. The Dutchman brought cheese, the Russian caviar, and the Englishman brought roast beef. The American, however, brought his feet and put them on the table.—French edition, *N Y Herald Tribune*. (Quore translation) **b**

Desk: A wastebasket with drawers.—Purdue Engineer.

The young man had ardently proposed to the broker's daughter, but she could not make up her mind. "Will you be true to me?" she demanded.

"I'll be true as steel," he declared fervently.

She murmured softly, "Common or preferred?"—*Financial Post*. (Canada) **c**

A successful senator is one who can rock the boat himself and then persuade the country that there is a big storm at sea.—Seng Fellowship News, hm, Seng Co.

"Have you got *The Red Ship*?" the old lady asked of the public librarian. After perusing her files, the librarian said they did not.

"Oh, wait a min," exclaimed the

I LAUGHED AT THIS ONE

ARTHUR DALEY
Sports Columnist

When the St Louis Cardinals came roaring into Detroit for the '34 World Series, they were astonished to discover the railroad station bristling with policemen and a police honor guard. Later the truth emerged. A papal delegation was due at the same time and the police were instructed to guard the cardinals. The baseball-minded gendarmes knew of only one group who ans'd that description and they guarded them zealously.

woman. "I think I have the name written down here. Yes, it's called *The Ruby Yacht of Omar Khayyam*."—Contact. **d**

Boy: A piece of skin stretched over an appetite.—Future.

The housewife was interviewing an applicant for a job in her household. "Do you know how to serve company?" she asked.

"Yes, mum," repl'd the applicant, "both ways."

"What do you mean, both ways?" inq'd the housewife.

"So's they'll come again or stay away."—*Norfolk & Western Mag*, hm, Norfolk & Western Ry. **e**

A diamond is a stepping stone in every girl's life.—J C FISHER, Chicago Sun-Times.

It was the end of term at the progressive nursery school and a mother was waiting downstairs to see the principal about registering her child for the next term. The clock struck 3 and a horde of children raced out, practically throwing the visitor over. The last child, instead of running off with the others, stopped and apologized. At that moment the head of the school appeared.

"Please excuse that youngster,"

said the principal. "He's a new pupil and he isn't quite adjusted to us yet."—*New Outlook*. **f**

We suppose you've heard the one about the absent-minded prof who came home, turned his radio on and seeing nothing, moaned, "My goodness, I'm blind!" — *Printers' Ink*. **g**

Usually a pessimist is a man who financed an optimist.—Joker. (Copenhagen)

As two hawk-faced, buxom-women watched a sky-writing pilot perform, one said: "Now I wonder what induced that man to go in for such fool things."

A man nearby spoke up: "Frustration, lady. His wife probably wouldn't let him smoke in the house."—HAROLD HELFER, *Flying*. **h**

A girl bought a lottery ticket and insisted on having the ticket number 51. It turned out to be the winning number and she rec'd \$15,000.

"What made you think that 51 was going to win?" a reporter asked her.

"Well," she explained, "for 7 nights I dreamed of number 7, and 7 times 7 are 51, so I bought the ticket."—*Good Business*. **i**

In Hartford the statue of Lafayette astride a horse, strangely, includes a turtle in front of the horse's hoof. Visitors are expected to believe the turtle was an afterthought, that it's supposed to represent the city fathers who were slow in paying the sculptor.—HY GARDNER, *Parade*. **j**

Some folks would rather remain single while others would knot. — Corbin (Ky) Daily Tribune.

One day Adam told Eve he was going out hunting and would soon return. However, he did not come back until fairly late, and Eve was

really angry. "What have you been doing all day?" she asked.

"Hunting, as I said."

"I am sure you are hiding something. Did you meet anybody?"

"You know quite well that there is no other human being here." With that, Adam shrugged his shoulders and went to sleep. But as soon as he was fast asleep, Eve, still full of suspicion, began to count his ribs.—*Nouvelles Litteraires*. (Paris) **k**

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There never will be a satisfactory distribution of wealth or parking space. — Arcadia (Wis) News Leader.

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In Chicago, Harry Shaw, of Harper's, addressed the Nat'l Ass'n of Book Women and started off by telling them about the time he addressed a New England literary circle. He felt rather pleased with himself as the lecture progressed and thought he had the audience in the palm of his hand. When he concluded an old woman rushed up to him. Shaw beamed in anticipation of the usual complimentary palaver but what she said was, "I didn't like what you said and I certainly didn't like the way you said it!"

The mortified chairwoman, seeking to reassure him, whispered, "Don't pay any att'n to that old crackpot, Mr Shaw. She just runs around repeating what she hears everyone around her saying."—HAZEL DUNCAN, quoted by BENNETT CERF, *Sat Review of Literature*. **l**

Why I don't go to the movies

1. I was made to go too often when I was young.
2. No one ever speaks to me when I do go.
3. When I go, they always ask for money.
4. The mgr never called to ask me why I had not been there lately.
5. The people there do not live up to what they show in their films.
6. The music is very poor.
7. I was ill for 6 wks and nobody from there came to see me.—*College Park Bulletin*. **m**

"How are you getting along in your driving," inq'd an interested friend of the novice.

"Oh, fine," she bragged. "Yesterday I went 50 mi's an hr, and tomorrow I'm going to try opening my eyes when I pass another car."—*Meath (Eire) Chronicle*. **n**

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Tourist: A guy in a sport shirt with a head cold.—Bos Hope, radio program.

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It was their 40th wedding anniv. The gray, slightly-sloped prof entered his residence, kissed his wife, smiled as he handed her a pkg and said, "Surprise, my dear. I'm sure you thought that your old, absentminded prof had forgotten what day this is, but here's your present."

The wife hastened to unwrap the large box of beautifully engraved stationery and, hesitating a moment, said, "It—uh—it's very distinctive."

Noting her hesitation, the prof said, "Is there something wrong?"

"Just one little thing, perhaps," she said, smiling. "The address is that of the home we sold 5 yrs ago—remember?"—*Montreal (Canada) Star*. **o**

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"John, who was Anne Boleyn?" asked the teacher.

"Anne Boleyn was a flat iron."

"What on earth gave you that idea?" teacher queried.

"Well," repl'd John. "It says in this history book, 'Henry, having rid himself of Catherine, pressed his suit with Anne Boleyn.'"—*Colo School Jnl*. **p**

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Two PhD's were discussing the money value of their new degrees. As they talked, it was "Doctor, this," and "Doctor, that." They ordered nickel drinks, cherry phosphates. When they finished and started to pay the fountain clerk, he shook his head. "No charge," he said. "In this drugstore, we make it a practice never to charge doctors for cold drinks."

Somewhat self-satisfied, the two walked outside. "Well," said one, "there's the answer. Our PhD degrees are worth just exactly one 5¢ cold drink."—*C C SPRINGFIELD*. **q**



FUR: Nylon "fur" coat, priced at little more than \$100, is to be available by fall. "Fur" has soft, lustrous pile similar to mouton or beaver; comes in white, 4 colors. Can be washed or cleaned with almost as much ease as lighter-weight nylon garments. Fabric developed by Geo W Borg Corp'n, Delavan, Wis. (U P)

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GARDENING: Knee-Ease kit is help to gardeners who like to kneel while working. Tools lie in open box attached to front of rubber-cushioned kneeling platform. Upright handles at either end assist gardener to boost self up from kneeling position. Price: \$3.50. (Pathfinder)

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HOUSEHOLD AIDS: New electric flat iron may be quickly converted into hot plate. Two hinged parts swing upward to form handle for iron but when in level position, form hot plate. (Science News Letter)

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MEDICINE: New drug "Dexamyl" claims to relieve "discouragement, apathy, pessimism, anxiety, nervous fears, irritability, difficulty in thinking, and to increase capacity for work." (Women's Wear Daily)

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OIL: For textile industry, Sun Oil Co has developed machine oil which washes out of cloth. (Business Wk)

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SAFETY DEVICES: "Safety Voice" gives bus driver complete voice control of the children. It permits him to give instructions to children approaching and leaving the bus, as well as directing their actions inside the bus. Consists of inside and outside speakers, 1 microphone, control unit, and compact power-supply unit. (CTA Jnl)

Quote CALENDAR

June 19-24—Nat'l Swim for Health Wk

June 18

- 1815—*Napoleon defeated at Waterloo
- 1850—b Cyrus H K Curtis, American publisher
- 1857—b Henry Folger, American capitalist
- 1902—d Sam'l Butler, English author
- 1950—"Fathers' Day

June 19

- 325 AD—1st Nicean Council
- 1623—*b Blaise Pascal, French philosopher, scientist
- 1834—*b Chas Haddon Spurgeon, English clergyman, author
- 1856—b Elbert Hubbard, American author
- 1861—b Douglas Haig, British gen'l, comdr-in-chief BEF, 1st World War
- 1903—b Lou (Henry Louis) Gehrig, American baseball star
- 1937—d Sir Jas Barrie, Scottish dramatist, author

June 20

- 1863—W Va admitted to Union

June 21

- 1631—d John Smith, English adventurer, founder of Va
- 1639—b Increase Mather, American clergyman, author
- 1675—"1st stone of St Paul's Cathedral laid
- 1788—N H 9th state to ratify Constitution, effecting present gov't
- 1850—b Dan'l Carter Bead, American artist, author
- 1852—b Rockwell Kent, American artist, author
- 1892—*b Reinhold Niebuhr, American clergyman, author
- 1908—d Nikolai Rimski-Korsakov, Russian composer
- 1948—Berlin Airlift began
- 1950—1st day of summer

June 22

- 1527—*d Niccolo Machiavelli, Italian statesman, historian
- 1907—b Anne Morrow Lindbergh, American aviator, author
- 1928—d Arthur Burdett Frost, American illustrator, author
- 1940—France signed armistice with Germany

June 23

- 1876—Irvin S Cobb, American humorist
- 1894—b Edw, Duke of Windsor, former British king

June 24

- 1497—John Cabot planted English flag on Cape Breton Island
 - 1771—b E I DuPont de Nemours, French-born American powder mfr
 - 1813—*b Henry Ward Beecher, American clergyman, author
 - 1833—*b John Randolph, American statesman
 - 1842—*b Ambrose Bierce, American journalist
 - 1850—b Herbert Kitchener, British field marshal, statesman
 - 1908—d Grover Cleveland, 22nd & 24th U S Pres
- *Indicates relevant items on this page. See also: Gem Box, Pathways to the Past.

HENRY WARD BEECHER*

We sleep, but the loom of life never stops and the pattern which

was weaving when the sun went down is weaving when it comes up tomorrow.

AMBROSE PIERCE*

The gambling known as business looks with austere disfavor upon the business known as gambling. *Dictionary of Humorous Quotations*, edited by EVAN ESAR. (Doubleday)

While He Listened . . .

There is a very old legend of a monk who had wandered into the fields, and a lark began to sing. He had never heard a lark before, and he stood there entranced until the bird and its song had become part of the heavens. Then he went back to the monastery and found there a door keeper whom he did not know and who did not know him. Other monks came, and they were all strangers to him. He told them he was Father Anselm, but that was no help. Finally they looked thru the books of the monastery, and these revealed that there had been a Father Anselm there 100 yrs before.

Time had been blotted out while he listened to the lark.—J M BARRIE*, quoted in *1,000 Beautiful Things*, edited by ARTHUR MEE. (Hodder & Stoughton, London)

NAPOLEON BONAPARTE*

A smart young man tried to sell a successful mfr on the desirability of hiring him as press agent. Said the mfr: "Our co is the biggest in the field, and therefore what it does, and what I do, is news."

But the young man was not to be put off. "Ever hear of Napoleon?" he asked.

"Sure," said the business man. "How about Wellington?" asked the job-hunter.

"Let's see," was the answer. "Didn't he have something to do with the battle of Waterloo?"

"There you are," the young man came back. "Wellington was the man who didn't need a press agent. He beat the pants off Napoleon at Waterloo, but it's Napoleon you always hear of. He had a press agent."—*Modern Humor*, edited by EDW FRANK ALLEN. (Dover)

SAM'L BUTLER*

The public buys its opinions as it buys its meat, or takes its milk,

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on the principle that it is cheaper to do this than to keep a cow. So it is, but the milk is more likely to be watered.

GROVER CLEVELAND*

Honor lies in honest toll.

NICCOLO MACHIAVELLI*

He who makes war his profession cannot be otherwise than vicious. War makes thieves, and peace brings them to the gallows.

REINHOLD NIEBUHR*

Men's capacity for justice makes democracy possible, but man's inclination to injustice makes democracy necessary.

BLAISE PASCAL*

Shame is a kind of misery, founded on self-love.

JOHN RANDOLPH*

Mean spirits under disappointment, like small beer in a thunderstorm, always turn sour.

CHAS H SPURGEON*

Building boys is better than mending men.

